



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Cannon, et al.

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GAMING MACHINES WITH A TOURNAMENT PLAY BONUS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please amend the subject application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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